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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

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ORDER

G.O. (P)No.85/2024/Co-op.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 27th May, 2024

13th Idavam, 1199.

S. R. O. No. 472/2024

WHEREAS, under sub-section (5) of section 65 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 (21 of 1969), the enquiry under this section shall be completed within a period of six months which period may at discretion of the Registrar and for reasons to be recorded in writing, be extended from time to time, so however that the aggregate period shall not, in anyway, exceed one year;



AND WHEREAS, the Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies (General), Pathanamthitta has reported through the Registrar of Co-operative Societies that the enquiry ordered under sub-section (5) of section 65 of the above said Act into various irregularities found in the Thiruvalla East Co-operative Bank Limited No.3260 in Pathanamthitta District for the period of 25th September, 2023 was not completed. Nine members of the former Board of Directors of the said bank filed a writ petition, W.P. (C)No.28782/2023 and the General Manager of the said bank filed a writ petition W.P. (C) No.36322/2023 before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala against the enquiry of the said bank. The Hon'ble High Court in its judgment dated 5th October, 2023 and 1st December, 2023 have ordered that the enquiry and investigation conducted against the said bank is to continue within the time limit mentioned in the said Act and the period extended to 25th January, 2024. The Joint Registrar had reported that the section 65 enquiry so far as conducted has revealed serious misappropriation of funds of the said bank and hence time is to extend the period of enquiry for a further period from 25th December, 2023 to 25th January, 2024 for completing the enquiry and submit report;

AND WHEREAS, the Registrar of Co-operative Societies has recommended the Government to extend the period of enquiry for a further period from 25th December, 2023 to 25th January, 2024;

AND WHEREAS, the Government have examined the matter in detail and are satisfied that it is necessary, in public interest, to direct that sub-section (5) of section 65 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 (21 of 1969) shall apply to the Thiruvalla East Co-operative Bank Limited No.3260 in Pathanamthitta District with certain modifications and permit the Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies (General), Pathanamthitta to extend the period of enquiry as per the above said section for a further period from 25th December, 2023 to 25th January, 2024 for completing the enquiry and submit report;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 101 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 (21 of 1969), the Government of Kerala hereby direct that the provisions of sub-section (5) of section 65 of the said Act, as so modified, permit the Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies (General), Pathanamthitta District to extend the period of enquiry in the Thiruvalla East Co-operative Bank Limited No.3260



in Pathanamthitta District for a further period from 25th December, 2023 to 25th January, 2024 for completing the enquiry and submit report.

By order of the Governor,

Shibi Abraham

Joint Secretary to Government

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

As per sub-section (5) of section 65 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 (21 of 1969), the enquiry under this section shall be completed within a period of six months which period may at discretion of the Registrar and for reasons to be recorded in writing, be extended from time to time, so however that the aggregate period shall not, in anyway, exceed one year. The Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies (General), Pathanamthitta has reported through the Registrar of Co-operative Societies that the enquiry ordered under sub-section (5) of section 65 of the above said Act into various irregularities found in the Thiruvalla East Co-operative Bank Limited No.3260 in Pathanamthitta District for the period of 25th September, 2023 was not completed. Nine members of the former Board of Directors of the said bank filed a writ petition, W.P.(C)No.28782/2023 and the General Manager of the said Bank filed a writ petition W.P.(C)No.36322/2023 before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala against the enquiry of the said bank. The Hon'ble High Court in its Judgement dated 5th October, 2023 and 1st December, 2023 have ordered that the enquiry and investigation conducted against the said bank is to continue within the time limit mentioned in the said Act and the period extended to 25th January, 2024. The Joint Registrar had reported that the section 65 enquiry so far as conducted has revealed serious misappropriation of funds of the said bank and hence time is to extend the period of enquiry for a further period from 25th December, 2023 to 25th January, 2024 for completing the enquiry and submit report. The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has recommended the Government to extend the period of enquiry for a further period from 25th December, 2023 to 25th January, 2024. The Government have examined the matter in detail and are satisfied that it is necessary, in public interest, to direct that sub-section (5) of section 65 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 (21 of 1969) shall apply to the Thiruvalla East Co-operative Bank Limited No.3260 in Pathanamthitta District with certain modifications and permit the



Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies (General), Pathanamthitta to extend the period of enquiry as per the above said section for a further period from 25th December, 2023 to 25th January, 2024 for completing the enquiry and submit report.

This order is intended to achieve the above object.

